(a) the reasons for not yet issuing ok certificate to DVOR established at Jabalpur airport;

(b) how much time it will take; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to instal ILS category equipments at this airport?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) The DVOR facility at Jabalpur Airport has been installed, flight calibrated and given for test operation on August 8, 2001 to the operators who will use it on test basis till a formal Instrument Approach to Land (IAL) procedure duly approved by Director General of Civil Aviation is promulgated.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

Construction of Airport at Shirdi (Maharashtra)

2438. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister the CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request for construction of airport at Shirdi (Maharashtra) is under Government's consideration;

(b) if so, the present status in this regard;

(c) whether Government have received any request from Maharashtra Government to construct airport at Shirdi;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (e) The State Government of Maharashtra has requested for technical feasibility study for construction of an airport at Shirdi in District Ahmednagar of Maharashtra. The site identified by State Government was found suitable for construction of airport designed for operation of 50 seater aircraft. The State Government was advised for land acquisition and also to obtain No objection certificate (NOC) from Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Environment and Forest. State Government has not intimated further progress on the subject.